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losses, which were very slight—four men killed and fifty-four wounded—and does not guess at the Russian figures; nor does he say that any Russian ships were badly disabled, though this we know from Admiral Alexeiff's admissions. Of course there may have been more in the report on this point. It does not seem that the entrance to Port Arthur harbour is blocked by a sunken warship, as alleged in some telegrams. The Japanese, after their victorious brush with the two Russian vessels of Chenulpo and their landing at that port, have now occupied Seoul, and are no doubt preparing to meet any Russian land advance. Since we heard of a Russian concentration in the Yalu Valley we have had no news of Russia's activity in that quarter. It is impossible to believe that she is not active, however.

The news from St. Petersburg is interesting. Consternation reigns, a panic is occurring on the Bourse, Government securities are experiencing heavy falls, and some banks are on the verge of ruin. The successes of Japan have struck Russia "all of a heap." The Tsar is credited with a ridiculous speech to the effect that "a treacherous foe has in the darkness of the night attacked our fortress (?) and fleet." It appears as if the Tsar expected the Japanese to invite his fleet out from Port Arthur or, as in the old Maori days in New Zealand, to fix a day on which they would be willing to come and fight there. But the Tsar is now a very much discredited personage. He might well think of his speech a month ago in the Council Chamber at St. Petersburg, "Am I the Emperor of Russia or am I not? Am I the Emperor of Peace or am I not?" The Emperor of Peace has allowed his Ministers to force a little nation into war, and now does not like the consequences. The Tsar NICHOLAS stands revealed as a weakling. He may believe his Finance Minister's statement that "though temporary difficulties are possible, Russia's economic power is unshakable"; other people will not believe it. As to the accusation of treachery, it is to be noted that, according to REUTER, even the German papers, the least friendly to Japan, ridicule the Russian talk of treachery because the Japanese attacked them without a declaration of war. The British papers, as was to be expected, congratulate Japan on her brilliant commencement. What is the attitude in France we have yet to learn. The Republic is getting ready cruisers and destroyers for the Far East, but this is not necessarily a bad sign. It is a precautionary measure which no doubt all the Powers will take. It is rather to be wondered at that we do not hear any more of the ships which were coming from the Mediterranean squadron to reinforce our China fleet. The King Alfred is now here and will presumably stay until peace is restored, but we still look for those two battleships mentioned some time ago. It is all important at the present moment that Great Britain shall be as strong as possible in the China seas. The end of the present crisis cannot be foreseen, and we must be prepared for all eventualities. We all trust that we shall be spared the necessity of intervention, but should the need ever come we must intervene with force that shall decide the question. We are not in a position to do so yet.

Lat night there was a false alarm of fire at half-past seven in Queen Street. H.E. Mr. May was among the visitors to the Chinatown Fair last evening.

Lieut. E. W. S. Mahon, R.E., was ordered to China last month for special duty under the Foreign Office.

Members of the Masonic Quadrille Club are remained that a meeting will be held this evening at six o'clock in the Masonic Hall. There is important business to be discussed.

The Eastern Extension Telegraph Co.'s manager informed us yesterday that the Foochow cable, which was broken last Thursday morning near Sharp Peak, was repaired at noon yesterday, normal communication with the North being thereby re-established.

Vice-Admiral Sir Gerard H. U. Noel, K.C.M.G., K.C.B., the new British Commander-in-Chief on the China Station in succession to Admiral Sir Cyprian Bridge, left London on the 5th inst. by the P. & O. steamer Mongolia, for Hongkong.

We learn from the Times of the 12th January that our Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Francis Clark, who is a member of the Honourable Society of the Middle Temple, has passed the Bar examinations in Roman Law, and in Evidence, Procedure and Criminal law.

The L. and C. Express of the 15th ult. says:—"The definite date of the departure from Lis present post on the Gold Coast of Sir Matthew Nathan, K.C.M.G., the new Governor of Hongkong, is not yet fixed, but it is expected his Excellency will leave the West Coast in about a month's time. He will make some short stay in this country before proceeding, and would thus probably reach Hongkong early in the summer."

Mr. H. C. Nicoll, Government Auditor at Hongkong, duly left for Colombo on the P. & O. s.s. Malta on Saturday. Mr. Nicoll is understood to have been appointed to his post in Ceylon for a few months only. An innovation is being introduced in the Government of that Colony. At present the Audit Office there is not only doing auditing work, but accounting work, and the idea is that the accounting should be transferred to the Treasurer's department. Mr. Nicoll will introduce the new system.

The mortality returns for November, 1903, appear in the Gazette. The total for that month was 380—15 in the European and foreign community, of which 15 were in the civil population, and 365 among the Chinese. Chest affections caused 111 deaths and malaria 24. The death rate per 1,000 per annum in the European and foreign community was 17.9; in the Chinese community (land and boat) 1.42; and in the whole civil community, 1.43.

With regard to the despatch of the French armoured cruisers *Amiral Aube*, *Kleber*, and *Desaix*, to the Far East, *Le Yacht* wrote last month:—"We need hardly say that this is pure fantasy. The three cruisers in question were built in private yards, and are still undergoing their receipt trials. They will not leave Cherbourg for Toulon for some months. According to programme, they should then take the place of the *Chany*, *Latouche Tréville*, and *Pothuau* in the Mediterranean squadron. Later, if events demand it, they might, of course, be sent to China. But just at present the French Admiralty has not accepted delivery of them."

Many naval officers were present in the large congregation at All Saints' Church, Blackheath, on the 13th ultimo, when Mr. Herbert Price, of Hongkong, was married to Miss Ethel Mildred Durston, daughter of Sir John Durston, K.C.B., Engineer-in-Chief of the Fleet, of Westcombe Park, Blackheath. Mr. J. H. Hutchinson was best man, and the bride was given away by her father. She wore a gown of white satin, accented with chiffon and Brussels lace, and a lace veil over a coronet of orange blossoms. The bridesmaids were Miss Winifred Durston (the bride's sister), Miss May Herbert, and Miss Constance and Miss Adele Mitchell. They were in ivory voile dresses over taffeta silk, trimmed with lace, and wore becoming picture hats.

In the departure of Mr. G. J. W. King, which will take place some time in April, the Colony will lose one of its oldest residents and the Civil Service one of its oldest servants. Mr. King goes home on leave with a view to retirement. He came to Hongkong in 1870, joined the Governmental service in 1878, then resigned, and went back again in 1881 on a competitive examination. He was in charge of the correspondence at the Central Police Office for seven years, and since then has performed the duties of Land Bailiff of the Colony. He is a prominent Mason, and during his long residence in Hongkong he has associated himself with all sorts of field sports. When Mr. King goes away he will take with him the best wishes of a host of friends.

Before his departure from Bizeria for the Suez Canal Admiral Vironius, who is in command of the Russian squadron now attempting to come out here, made one or two observations of some interest to the superior officers of the French Navy, who had gone to bid him farewell. He made no effort to minimise the gravity of the present crisis, but said that in any event it would have the effect of greatly hastening the full realisation of two of Russia's principal ideals of Naval policy in the Far East. These are to cover Vladivostock and Port Arthur into the two most important Naval arsenals in the Empire, each having a fleet of corresponding strength depending upon it as a base. As a direct result of the present crisis, this project will be fully realised before the end of 1905.

The manager of the Hongkong branch of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha informed us on Saturday that telegraphic advices to hand from the N.Y.K. agents in Colombo state that the *Wakasa Maru*, which left London on or about the 15th January, is laid up in Colombo for the time being; but her passengers for the Straits, China, and Japan have been transferred to the mail steamers *Sydney* and *Coromandel*. His Excellency Lord Kitchener has so far recovered that he has been able to dispose of the use of a stick. With only a very slight lameness, apparent from the result of a bone fracture, we are glad to notice, says the Calcutta Englishman, that His Excellency can move about with freedom.

His Excellency Lord Kitchener has so far

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

THE WAR

SINGAPORE JAPANESE

RECALLED.

SINGAPORE, 13th Feb., 12.5 p.m. All the Japanese naval reservists at Singapore have been ordered to return to Japan.

FIGHTING OFF NORTH JAPAN.

SINGAPORE, 13th Feb., 2.40 p.m. The local office of the Mitsui Bussan

Kaisha has received a telegram stating that Japanese torpedo-boats have de-

stroyed three Russian cruisers near Aomori. An official telegram from the Governor of Hokkaido informs the Tokyo Governor that two Japanese merchantmen were attacked by four

Russian ships. One of the Japanese was sunk, while the other escaped. Both were small vessels.

[According to the telegram received here the two Japanese merchantmen were the *Nakanoura Maru*, a steel screw steamer of 1,073 tons, built in 1895 at Hamburg, and owned by the *Mimajima Musubi*, and the *Zensho Maru*, a wooden screw steamer of 233 tons, built in 1895 at Osaka, Japan, and owned by the *Maru Bunshichi*. It was the *Nakanoura Maru* which was sunk.—Ed. D.P.]

THE ATTACK ON PORT ARTHUR.

KOBE, 12th February, 1.30 p.m. Admiral Togo, the Commander-in-

Chief of the Japanese squadron, reports that at noon on the 8th inst. the Japanese torpedo-boat destroyers attacked the Russian warships at Port Arthur. It is believed that four Russian vessels were damaged.

Next morning the Japanese squadron attacked the Russians, who, the Admiral believed, were much damaged.

The Japanese damages were slight.

Casualties amounted to about 4 killed and 54 wounded.

GENERAL NEWS

DEATH OF WELL-KNOWN SHANGHAI MAN.

SHANGHAI, 14th Feb., 10.15 a.m. Mr. George McBain died yesterday (Saturday) of bronchitis.

[Mr. George McBain's death will be heard of with great regret in Hongkong, especially among our numerous Shanghai visitors now in the Colony. Mr. McBain was a very well-known merchant and ship-owner, trading under his own name in Shanghai, Hongkong, and Yangtze ports.

He was owner of the steamers *W. Ceres de Vries*, *Sail*, *Polyo*, *Siam*, and *Shantung*, and was agent for the Shanghai Sumatra Tobacco Co. and for the *Maatappij* tot Miju an *Bogchen Landbouw Exploitatie* in Langkat. As for the Langkat Co. itself, Mr. McBain practically was it for many years.—Ed. D.P.]

REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE WAR.

LONDON, 14th February. Owing to a lack of Naval Officers, all Ensigns in the Russian Navy were yesterday granted commissions. The Tsar addressing them said, "A treacherous foe had in the darkness of the night attacked our fortress (?) and fleet."

Mr. Kurine has left St. Petersburg.

A British proclamation of neutrality will

be issued to-morrow. The Japanese fleet has bombarded Port Arthur. The Russian battleship *Poltava* and the cruisers *Diana*, *Aeskold*, and *Nordik* were damaged on the waterline. The gunboat *Korets* was sunk, and the cruiser *Varyag* hopelessly disabled at Chemulpo. The crews took refuge on a French cruiser.

EUROPEAN PRESS COMMENTS.

LONDON, 14th February. All the British papers unite in congratulating Japan on the brilliant opening of the campaign.

Even the German papers ridicule the Russian talk of treachery because they were attacked without a declaration of war.

RUSSIAN DECLARATION OF WAR.

LONDON, 14th February. The Tsar has issued a manifesto which is virtually a declaration of war.

THE UNITED STATES PROPOSAL.

LONDON, 11th February.

The Washington Cabinet has decided to maintain strict neutrality. Mr. Hay's proposals contemplate the restriction of hostilities within the smallest possible area and are regarded as implying that neither Russia nor Japan will be allowed to invade China proper.

BRITISH ATTACKES FOR JAPAN.

LONDON, 12th February.

Lieut.-Genl. Sir William Nicholson and Col. James Haldane, British Attachés to the Japanese Army, have started for the Far East. Contractors have undertaken to complete the railway line across Lake Baikal by the 28th inst., or earlier.

FRENCH WARSHIPS FOR THE FAR EAST.

LONDON, 12th February.

Several cruisers and destroyers are preparing at Brest and Toulon to proceed to the Far East. Six thousand tons of coal-briquettes have been hastily despatched to Saigon.

THE DAMAGED RUSSIAN SHIPS.

LONDON, 12th February.

Admiral Alexioff telegraphs that the battle-ships are so badly damaged that it is difficult to say when they will be ready for sea; the others are expected to be ready in three days to a fortnight.

SEOUL OCCUPIED.

LONDON, 12th February.

The Japanese have occupied Seoul.

RUSSIAN REINFORCEMENTS FOR THE FAR EAST.

LONDON, 12th February.

The Russian cruisers *Dmitri Donskoii* and *Aurora* and six destroyers have proceeded from Suez to Jibuti, where they have coaled and will remain till the 18th instant, awaiting the arrival of the battleship *Otsiabya*, the transport *Saratoff*, and three destroyers which have already left Suez, and of several torpedo-boats and transports now in the Canal.

THE LONDON STOCK MARKET.

LONDON, 11th February.

Russian bonds have fallen 1½ % and Japanese have risen 3%, reflecting fairly the feeling in London.

RUSSIAN BONDS.

LONDON, 12th February.

The Russian Ministry of Finance warns the public against sacrificing Russia securities owing to heavy falls; he expects a calmer attitude and, "though temporary difficulties are possible, Russia's economic power is unshakable." This is a significant indication of the sensation caused throughout Russia.

FINANCIAL SITUATION IN S. PETERSBURG.

LONDON, 12th February.

The Japanese successes have caused such a panic on the S. Petersburg Bourse, that the situation there has become critical. Holders of Government stocks are losing enormously and several Banks are tottering.

FOOTBALL.

H. F. C. v. H. M. S. "CRESSY."

Played at Happy Valley, under Rugby rules, this match resulted in a win for the Hongkong Football Club. A large number of spectators, including H. E. Major-General Villiers Hatton, C.B., watched the game, play being of a very interesting description. Cressy won the toss and decided to play with the wind in their favour. Sandford, of the Club, kicked off. Following up, the Club kept the leather in the sailors' half for some time, showing superior play with regard to passing and organisation generally than their opponents. Sandford and Pearce played well together; work in the many scrums was fairly even. Eventually the Club made an onward movement, but, after another scrum, a Cressy man got away with the ball, not being tackled till almost home. Arthur relieved the heavy pressure on the Club by a touch down. The tall being kicked the Club resumed their attack. By steady work the Club eventually scored a try, hours failing to Pearce. Pearce, shortly afterwards, when bounding away with the oval, had his jersey pulled off his back by one of the naval team; some merriment was caused by this incident. At half time the Club had scored a try to the Cressy's nothing. In the second half the Club again manifested their superiority, though, indeed, the leather was kept in their half for some little time after resuming the game. Play changed about from one side to the other for some time. The Club getting away, a good try was scored by Whitmore. Pearce, in endeavouring to convert, shot straight, but did not put enough "beef" into the kick, the ball falling low. From this to the finish the naval team seemed to have lost heart, and the game lost interest somewhat. Whitmore, on two occasions scored the ball and, outstripping his opponents, scored between the posts. Pearce converting in each instance. The result was an easy win for the H.K.F.C.—2 goals, 2 tries (16 points) to nil.

SHIELD TIES.

Two matches in the second round of the Association Shield were played off last week, but for some reason no notification of their coming off was given to the local papers beforehand. Both were in the second round and the results were as follows:—H.M.S. *Abaddon* beat H.M.S. *Tamar* (2—0); H.M.S. *Abaddon* beat Sherwood Foresters (3—1) on the 11th inst.

This afternoon in the Happy Valley the Hongkong Football Club will play H.M.S. *Cressy*, starting at 4.30 p.m.

HONGKONG JOTTINGS.

China New Year's Eve arrives with all Northernmost Asia in a turmoil and the whole East in excitement. Even those careless of outside news, as the Southern Chinese are wont to be, seem anxious to know what is happening. Local Chinese papers have gone the length of publishing pink "Extras" detailing the latest from the North. I do not know whether Canton shares the anxiety of Chinese Hongkong or goes to the length of special editions. Certainly our natives are not apathetic about the crisis, even though New Year festivities must necessarily occupy their thoughts a good deal just now and for the next few days.

No new-comer should fail to visit the western end of the town to-day, if he has not already done so, since the thoughts of the Chinese have turned to their annual holiday. The streets wear the aspect of an English country fair—with a difference. The stalls are there, lining each side of the principal thoroughfares, and the people throng in the streets. But it is not such a scene of "bustle and jollity, business, frivolity" as, for example, the Cockney associates with his Mile End Road. He will miss the rancorous shouting, the boisterous merriment of the vendors of small wares, and also the shows which he rates prominently in the "fun of the fair," but he will nevertheless see a great deal to interest him. Many of the stalls bear collections of Chinese art and manufactures such as only persistent bargain-hunters can discover at any other time of the year, and by taking advantage of the vendor's desire to have as much cash in hand as possible by the closing hour of the year it is possible to pick up many excellent little "bargains." It is also possible now as at any time to pay for an article twice its value. When after purchasing an article at half the price originally asked, the vendor added into the bargain the consolatory remark "you b'long no fool," I asked him if it was his experience that "foolish men b'long fools," and he replied: "Plenty foolish men b'long fools, but foolish women, they more so."

Propos of the approach of the New Year, with its deafening and continuous explosion of crackers and the beating of gongs, I have thought that it may dispose the Westener to think charitably of the noise if I mention that an American physician, whose observations appear in a paper called the *Medical Brief*, holds that noise has an excellent effect in a great many cases of illness. He says that a patient of his was once at the point of death. He had received the last rites of the Church, the pulse had ceased, and he had fallen into the state of comatose which ordinarily precedes death. Suddenly someone in the next house struck up the "Anvil Chorus" from *Il Trouvatore*—not a bad substitute for Chinese gongs. Then the patient's pulse began to beat again, he opened his eyes and began to hum the tune. This was the turning point, and was followed by complete recovery. Who, after this, will not welcome the New Year with all its attendant noises? I have often thought that something should be done to abate a lot of the unnecessary "toot-tooting" of steam launches early in the morning, but after this discovery I will refrain from making the suggestion, lest I stand some day in danger of expiring through sheer want of noise.

Now that we have to put up with the naval dock in the heart of the city I suppose we must make the best of it. It was objected before the commencement of the work, and I have heard the objection raised even recently that the construction of the dock would lead to the silting of the harbour, and give rise to most offensive smells in the neighbourhood of the Club. As a matter of fact, these fears have not been realised, and so far as the silting objection is concerned it has been absolutely disproved. There is no more silting in this part of the harbour now than there was before the dock was commenced—probably very much less, as shipping men have noticed that the construction of the dock has had the effect of considerably increasing the strength of the current in the harbour, and that in itself would do the work of a dredger.

The subject of street nuisances is one which has been attracting a good deal of attention of late. But there is one which has not been mentioned by any of the letter-to-the-Editor men that cries for remedy as much as any of the other evils. And that is the practice that prevails, in the neighbourhood of new buildings of masons working granite in the public street or in such close proximity to it as to menace the safety of the eyes of people walking on the street. During one day at the end of last week the pavement at one of the most congested parts of Queen's Road—the foot of D'Aguilar Street—was taken up by masons chipping granite, to the interruption of traffic as well as to the danger of pedestrians' eyes. When granite has to be worked on the street, the police should see that a shield or wooden barrier is erected to keep the splinters from invading the thoroughfare.

It had been proposed at first to wind up the very successful series of monthly dances promoted by the Masonic Quadrille Club with a big ball in the City Hall—a fancy dress ball was even suggested—but now it has been definitely decided to have the last dance of the season in the same place as the others took place in, the Masonic Hall in Zetland Street. These dances have been very popular and enjoyable; their success tells of hard work on the part of Mr. H. W. Bird and Mr. G. J. W. King, the president and late secretary. With the incoming of the summer, the Club is not to be dissolved. It is proposed, I understand, during the hot months to have fortnightly lunch picnics. This departure should appeal to all, and will no doubt draw many new members into the Club. The membership now numbers nearly 150.

BANYAN.

"HIS EXCELLENCY"

THE A.D.C. AT THE THEATRE.

On Saturday night at the Theatre Royal the Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club gave the first of four performances of *His Excellency*, the comic opera by Messrs. W. S. Gilbert and Osmond Carr. This is the piece which, it will be remembered, was to have been played three years ago, but, owing to the death of the late Queen Victoria was never played in Hongkong. The A. D. C. suffered a heavy pecuniary loss then, owing to the fact that all the costumes had been purchased and the other necessary arrangements made. It is to be hoped, therefore, that the present short run will be more than sufficiently remunerative, so as to make up to the A. D. C. for the previous disappointment. If the house on Saturday night is any index, the Club's coffers should be well filled. Certainly a most favourable impression was made by the first performance, and we have no doubt a large number of those present will pay a second visit at least. Those who were not in the theatre on the first night may assuredly be advised to go at the earliest opportunity if they have not booked seats yet. The Hongkong A. D. C. is noted for its conscientious renderings of the plays which it attempts, and it is a mere flattery to say in the present case that all the actors and actresses worked loyally and well, and that the performances compared favourably with any comic opera which has been seen here of late years. *His Excellency* is not the best of Mr. Gilbert's librettos, but it is distinctly amusing, and Dr. Osmond Carr's music is tuneful throughout. The play demands a large cast, and it is more than creditable to the Colony to be able to find so many capable exponents, both of acting and of singing. A great misfortune befell the A. D. C. just before the opening night. Mrs. E. W. Mitchell, a lady who was to have filled the most responsible female part, being compelled by illness in her family to abandon it. No suitable substitute could be found until a naval gentleman was prevailed upon to undertake the character at the shortest notice. At the dress rehearsal Mr. Phillips read from the book; on Saturday night he played the rôle admirably. Certainly the name of "handy man" is well deserved by him. If his ship is not ordered north, he should be word-perfect on the second night—next Thursday—and that is all that is required to make his performance first class.

On Saturday it may be said that three members of the cast stood out amid the general excellence. They were Surgeon H. L. Norris, Lieutenant Davidson, and Mrs. Hall Wright. Mr. Norris was delightfully humorous and, singing well into the bargain, made a great feature of the part of the Syndic, Mats Munck, Lieutenant. Davidson added appreciably to the favour which he has gained with Hongkong audiences. He is a clever young actor and has decidedly shown his versatility in the different parts he has played on the local stage. Mrs. Hall-Wright is a new actress to Hongkong. She is indeed a welcome addition to local amateur dramatic talent. As Nanna she was quite the life of the scenes in which she appeared, and had recalls been permitted she would have been obliged to come back time after time. But the A. D. C. wisely decided not to permit recalls, owing to the length of the opera. The audience, however, fully showed its appreciation of Mrs. Hall-Wright's charming impersonation of the Governor's daughter. Capt. Bush, who has made two or three previous appearances in the Theatre Royal, made handsome and effective Prince Regent, and his duets with Lieutenant Davidson were warmly applauded. Mr. George Lammett sang well in the part of Erling Syke. Perhaps he might have been a trifle more dramatic in action, but his presence was good. Dr. Tortenon, Surgeon Horley was a splendid and resplendent representative of the corporal of the King's Hussars, who were fine body of men. Mrs. Craddock had the leading vocal part among the ladies, and filled it very gracefully. Her songs would certainly have obtained encores. Mrs. Hagen played Thor, one of the Governor's daughters, and both in acting and singing made a hit. Mrs. Maitland, in the dashing costume of a *vivandière*, was a very effective foil to the strapping Hussar. Smaller parts were creditably undertaken and the chorus was both capable and powerful. We cannot of course single out any among so many. The costumes were for the most part all that could be desired—we say for the most part, for there were one or two rather harsh contrasts in colour. This remark does not apply to the principals' dresses, which were one and all very pleasing. The scenery, executed from the designs of Mr. H. W. Bird, would not have disgraced a home theatre. Messrs. Bird's statue was a notable feature; it must have been exported from Florence unknown to the Italian Government, which does not allow art treasures to be lost to the country any longer. The orchestra, under the able conductorship of Mr. A. G. Ward, played in capital style; its reinforcement by some of the Sherwood Foresters' bandsmen was by kind permission of the Colonel and officers.

We must not omit to mention that the efforts of Messrs. Caldwell and Chapman, the Stage and Acting Managers, were most successful; and Mr. E. W. Mitchell's experienced training

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was visible throughout, though he was unfortunately obliged to be absent on Saturday.

The following was the full cast:—
The Prince Regent (disguised as Nils Egilson, a strolling Player) Capt. Bush, R. A. George Griffenford (Governor of Elsinore)... Lieutenant Davidson, R. A. Erling Syke (a young sculptor) Mr. Geo. Lammett, Dr. Tortenon (a young physician) Dr. Hall-Wright, Mrs. Munck (syndic of Elsinore) Surg. H. Leigh Norris, Harold (of the King's Hussars)... Surf. R. R. Horley, R. N. A. Sonety... Lt. A. C. Butt, R. N. First Officer... Mr. H. A. Seth Second Officer... Mr. R. Henderson Christian (a balding singer) Mrs. Craddock (Nanna) (Griffenford's...) Mrs. Hall-Wright (Thor's daughters) Mrs. Hagen Dame Hecla Cortian (a lady of property) Mrs. W. J. L. Phillips Blanca (a Vivandiere) Mrs. F. Maitland Elsa (a peasant girl) Miss Hazlak CHOIR.
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THE HONGKONG RACES.

The following were some of Saturday morning's times:—
Set, 1-mile... 34. 1.61, 1.39.
Musical and Starling, 11-miles... 36, 1.08.
1.44, 2.19, 2.55.
Pandar, 12-miles... 38, 1.12, 1.47, 2.22, 2.56.
Once More and Tidbits, 13-miles... 38, 1.13, 1.49, 2.12, 2.58, 3.32.
Rajah, 1-mile... 35, 1.10, 1.43, 2.14.
Persuasion, 1-mile... 35, 1.08, 1.44, 2.20.
Regret, 1-mile, 1.40, 1.42.
Sylph Rose, 11-miles... 36, 1.11, 1.46, 2.23, 2.55.
Fiscal, 1-mile... 34, 1.14, 1.47, 2.17.
Tai Yat and Standard, 11-miles... 36, 1.12, 1.43, 2.15, 2.55.
Disclosure, 14-miles... 37, 1.15, 1.91, 2.22, 2.55.
Yellow Skin, 1-mile... 33, 1.16, 1.52, 2.26.
Rocket, 1-mile... 36, 1.10, 1.45, 2.19, 2.54.
Quebec, 13-miles... 40, 1.18, 1.53, 2.30, 3.05, 3.39, 4.12.
Aladdin and Discord, 13-miles... 38.3/5, 1.15, 1.50, 2.26, 3.01, 3.34, 4.09.
La France Rose, 14-miles... 38, 1.11, 1.45, 2.14, 2.54, 3.28.
Coronet Rose, 14-miles... 38, 1.13, 1.47, 2.21, 2.54, 3.26.
Discovery, 14-miles... 36, 1.09, 1.44, 2.19, 2.55, 3.11.
Reed and Royal, 1-mile... 36, 1.14, 1.48, 2.21.
Dandy, 1-mile... 35, 1.03, 1.33, 2.01.
The Sari, 14-miles, full time... 2.473.
School Girl, 1-mile, last 3... 30, 1, 0, 1.29.

POLO.

Although there were not so many sporting events taking place in the Colony as usual on a Saturday, a large and fashionable crowd assembled at Causeway Bay on Saturday afternoon to witness the first match for a cup that has kindly been presented to the Polo Club by H. E. Mr. May, who is a great supporter of the game. The two teams that met were the 93rd Burmese and the Civilians, and as the result will show they were equally matched, the 93rd losing only by subsidiary goals. The teams consisted of the following: Civilians—H. E. Mr. May (1), Mr. J. Johnstone (2), Mr. Hastings (3), Mr. C. H. Ross (back). 93rd Burmese—Mr. Simpson (1), Capt. Atkinson (2), Major Strickland, I. M. S. (3), Major Radcliffe (back). Two quarters were played, and in each the 93rd played a very well fought game, being mounted on much slower and smaller ponies than their opponents. No very exciting play was witnessed in the first quarter, and although the Civilians managed to score two subsidiary goals to the 93rd's one before the bell rang the latter had much the better of it, pressing their opponents hard. On the game being resumed some much faster and more brilliant play was to be seen than in the first quarter, and the 93rd managed to score a goal soon after recommencing. After this the Civilians scored in subsidiary goals, and pressed very hard. However the 93rd nearly got the better of them. Simpson placing the ball right in the centre of the Civilians' goal within a few inches of the line. His own No. 2 thinking the ball was over the line, did not kick it up, and the goal was brilliantly saved by Mr. C. H. Ross, who all through played a very defensive and strong game, especially in the first quarter. The bad luck of the 93rd continued, and by it they lost their chance of the cup, as the score when the bell rang was—Civilians 2 goals and 6 subs, 93rd 2 goals and 1 sub. The Civilians winning by subsidiary goals only. Simpson and Carleton of the 93rd, and Ross for his side all played an excellent game.

A Club team meets the visitors on Thursday next, when another good match should be witnessed.

By kind permission of Major Radcliffe and officers the band of the 93rd played selections during the afternoon, when ordinary games were being played between the match.

BOWLING.

The second team bowling match between the Hongkong Club and the Club Germania ended on Saturday in favour of the Germans. The scores were as follows:—

GERMAN CLUB.
2 Koch... 1364
3 Lammett... 1335
4 Ebsius... 1392
5 Wagner... 1250
9 Nicolai... 1218
11 Thun... 1136

HONGKONG CLUB.

1 Lt. Gibson... 1397
6 Woodcock... 1248
7 Lt. Ford... 1235
8 Ellis... 1224
10 Sims... 1153
12 Holyoake... 905

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Both teams played very well, but finally the victory fell to the Germans by no less than 443 points. The German second team made a better score proportionately than their own first team; the latter team bowling in December last (when 8 players were on each side) made a total score of 9868 points.

CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. RESERVES v. CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

The Club Reserves gained a fairly easy victory in this League match on the Cricket Ground on Saturday. After scoring 134 for 8 wickets they declared their innings closed and dismissed the Craigengower team for 81. The losers' bowlers did not meet with their usual amount of success, though both Craik and Pestonje had good figures. The stand by Piper and George Lammett after 8 wickets had gone down for 91 did as much as anything to give the Club their three points; and when the Craigengower went in Rutherford's bowling was irresistible. With the last 3 balls of the match he performed the hat-trick, Brown (who had played a good innings), Stuart, and Postonje being his victims. Scores and analysis:—

H.K.C.C. RESERVES.
H. E. Lammett, c Basa, b Craik... 18
P. Chater, c Basa, b Craik... 0
T. C. Gray, c L. E. Lammett... 7
N. H. Rutherford, c L. E. Lammett, b J. Craik... 39
J. Hooper, b Craik... 4
P. H. 10, b Pestonje... 12
D. Piper, not out... 30
G. Grindle, b Pestonje... 0
G. P. Lammett, c M. E. Asgar, b Craik... 9
T. H. Kew, not out... 17
P. W. Goldring, did not bat... 7
Extras... 7
Total (innings declared)... 134

CRAIGENGOWER C.C.
J. D. Kirnail, c and b N. H. Rutherford... 4
L. E. Lammett, c and b Rutherford... 8
A. O. Brown, c and b Rutherford... 43
L. A. Rose, b G. P. Lammett... 4
M. E. Asgar, c Wolf, b Gray... 6
T. Cross, k.b. Grey... 7
J. L. Stuart, b Rutherford... 0
H. Austin, not out... 0
E. Pestonje, c Kew, b Rutherford... 0
Extras... 0

Total... 81

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
H.K.C.C. RESERVES.

	O.	M.	R.	w.
A. O. Brown	12	2	52	1
L. E. Lammett	7	0	30	1
J. Craik	10	1	25	3
Cross	2	0	14	1
E. Pestonje	6	4	6	2

CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

	O.	M.	R.	w.
G. P. Lammett	11	1	26	2
N. H. Rutherford	10.3	0	28	6
G. Grindle	3	0	13	3
T. H. Kew	3	0	14	2

Total... 81

CIVIL SERVICE C.C. v. ROYAL ENGINEERS.

This match, played at Happy Valley on Saturday last, ended after a very pleasant game in a victory for the Civil Service. The victory was chiefly due to the batting of Dr. Atkinson and Witchell, while Lambie carried off the bowling honours. For the losers Meldrum batted well and Wease was successful with the ball. Scores and analysis:—

CIVIL SERVICE C.C.
G. A. Woodward, c Tillman, b Raven... 13
D. Witchell, c and b Wease... 26
Hon. D. Atkinson, c and b Wease... 28
P. T. Lambie, b Raven... 0
H. T. Jackson, b Raven... 0
R. Ponsonby, b Raven... 3
L. E. Brett, b Wease... 0
F. T. Robins, b Wease... 0
W. H. Wooller, not out... 8
C. Parkman, c Wease... 2
A. Hutchins, c Tillman, b Wease... 17
Extras... 15

Total... 15

ROYAL ENGINEERS.

Tillman, b Lambie... 0
Smith, b Lambie... 3
White, b Witchell... 2
Wease, c Atkinson, b Lambie... 0
Meldrum, b Lambie... 16
Raven, run out... 0
Glasson, c Parkinson, b Lambie... 0
Redaway, b Lambie... 2
Thistleton, not out... 6
Mannall, c Jackson, b Witchell... 3
Willie, c Dr. Atkinson, b Witchell... 2
Bradford, not out... 3

Total... 35

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
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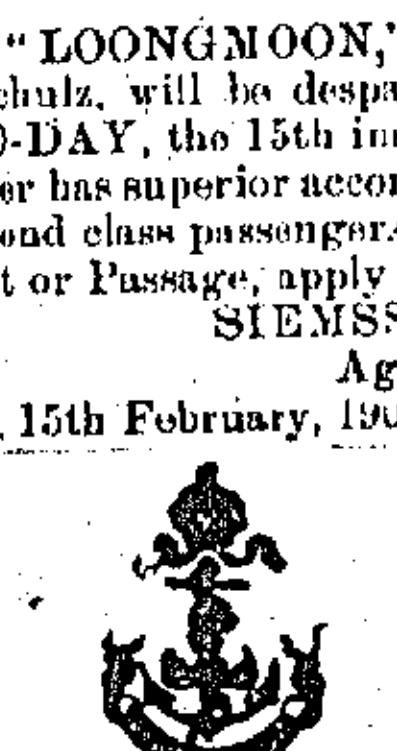
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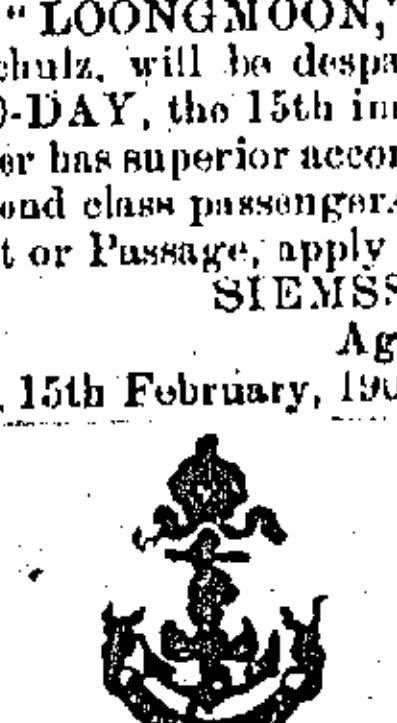
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Hongkong, 22nd January, 1904. [306]

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CHEONG & CO., Tailors, will be
CARRIED ON from the 17th inst. at No. 8
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the Connaught Hotel.
Hongkong, 5th January, 1904. [128]S E N T I N G.
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HOLLAND-CHINA TRADING CO.
Hongkong, 26th November, 1903. [2160]UNION OF PARIS FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.THE Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to accept Risks against FIRE at current
rates.SIEMSEN & CO.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. [1]AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE IN-
SURANCE CO.
OF AIX-LA-CHAPELLE.THE Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE
at Current Rates.REUTER, BRÖCKELMANN & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [99]

PHENIX FIRE OFFICE.

The Undersigned are now prepared to
GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE
against FIRE at Current Rates.DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.
Agents for the Phoenix Fire Office.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1887. [129]

THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COM-
PANY OF TORONTO, CANADA.
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THE Undersigned having been appointed
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prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE
at Current Rates.WM. MEYERINK & CO.
Hongkong, 18th May, 1903. [194]

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against FIRE at Current Rates.Also to accept proposals for LIFE ASSUR-
ANCE. Prospects on application.TURNER & CO.,
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Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903. [267]

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCAN-
TILE INSURANCE COMPANY.TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1902,
£16,378,771.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £3,000,000 0 0

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PAID-UP CAPITAL 687,500 0 0

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The Undersigned AGENTS for the above
Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS
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Hongkong, 19th June, 1903. [1888]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1904. [458]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE STEWARDS request the pleasure of
the presence of the LADIES at the
GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE during
the Races on the 23rd, 24th, 25th and 27th
instant.A Stand and an Enclosure will be reserved
for Members and Members' Wives and Families.
Tickets for which will be sent out with the
Members' Tickets after MONDAY, 15th instant.All Tickets must be produced to gain
admission.T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1904. [460]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NO SERVANTS will be allowed inside the
ENCLOSURE of the RACECOURSE during
the Race Day WITHOUT TICKETS which can be had on application to the Under-
signed between MONDAY, 15th, and SATUR-
DAY, 20th inst.T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1904. [460]

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Hongkong, 4th October, 1903. [283]

A FRENCH VIEW OF THE
COREAN QUESTION.The *Éclair* (Paris) publishes a letter from M.
Cheradame, the well-known French
writer, dated from Hongkong, November 26,in which he examines the respective interests
of Russia and Japan in Corea. M. Cheradame
says that, as he understands it, the simplest
form in which the Corean question presentsitself is the following:—Will Corea remain a
region where the Japanese will acquire in time
of peace a dominant position economically, oron the contrary, will either the Russians or the
Japanese attempt by force to take possession ofit politically? Corea with its soil, which is said
to be rich in gold, silver, copper, iron and coal,
and with its advantageous geographical situ-
ation, is likely to become the prey of one ofthese two Powers. Among themselves many
Russians say:—"Now that we have Manchuria,
Corea ought also to be ours. We must necessarilypossess the south-east part of the Asiatic con-
tinent." If those desires should be realized,
M. Cheradame adds, Daely would evidently beno longer the terminus of the Transcontinental
Asiatic Railway; it would yield its place to a
point on the south of Corea, probably Fusun.With reference to these hypotheses, M.
Cheradame draws attention to the importance
of the point named LiaoYang. LiaoYang is at
present a station of the Trans-ManchurianRailway between Newchwang and Mukden,
about three hours to the south of the latter
point. For the last three years the Russians
have been strongly established at LiaoYang, a
very interesting fact, for the reason that thisis the point of junction between the Trans-
Manchurian and the old Chinese telegraph line,
which follows the route from LiaoYang to the
Yalu, that is to say, the northern frontier ofCorea. It has already frequently been said
that the Russians contemplate the construction
of a railway following the same direction. It is
therefore, this projected railway which might
eventually become the instrument of the inva-

tion of Corea.

In addition to these partisans of a total ab-
sorption, there are, continues M. Cheradame,
others who say that they do not wish for all
Corea, but simply for the part situated to
the north of a line drawn from the further end
of the Bay of Corea to the port of Port Lazareff,
thus joining the points where the Korean pen-
insula narrows down.The advocates of this occupation would be
to give Russia a much less extended frontier, and therefore one much
easier and less costly to guard. Repre-
sentatives of the Tsar, and notably those who
understand the consequences which an indefinite
advance towards the East would involve forthe foreign policy of Russia, allege that they
incline to what is called the "independence of
Corea." The Japanese, for their part, declare
that they are also in favour of this independence,
which, however, they interpret after a fashion
of their own. It was through Corea that
Chinese civilisation reached Japan, and the
Japanese have remained for centuries constantlyin relations with this country, which of all the
Asian continent is the nearest to their own.
To-day, when the population of the Japanese
archipelago exceeds 40 millions inhabitants, and
increases by more than 600,000 a year, it is quite
easy to understand how it is that Coreaappears to the Government at Tokyo as a
natural and, indeed, an indispensable outlet.The Russians, who since installing themselves
at Port Arthur have frequently officially
declared their wish to respect the independence
of Corea, at present content themselves with
exploiting on the Yalu the rich, wooded territories
of which the Corean Government has made
them concessions. It is true that these concessions
have not yet been clearly delimited; that is, a
circumstance susceptible of giving rise to ulterior
difficulties. The Japanese have, on the contrary, are
already almost everywhere in Corea. They
people all the parts of the coast, where their
clean new houses contrast favourably with the
miserable huts of the Corean fishermen, who,
although in their own country, have assumed
already the appearance of a subject people. At
Seoul the Japanese have a very important
colony on ground which has been conceded to
them. They have also created in the
centre of the Corean capital a veritable Japanese
city. They have their own soldiers, to the number
of several hundreds, well equipped and armed,
and their own policemen, who in case of need
would not hesitate at all to go to the aid of their
fellow-countrymen whom they considered likely
to be molested. The Japanese, whose number
constantly increases at Seoul, continually enlarge
their concession. As it has no precise limits,
and as the Coreans are incredibly timid, the sub-
jects of the Mikado do in reality pretty much as
they please.In Corea, moreover, certain of the instru-
ments of sovereign power are already in their
hands. They have a Japanese bank, whose
notes circulate throughout the whole of the
peninsula. They have a Japanese post at
Seoul, provided with an excellent office. Most
of the telegraph lines are in their hands, as well
as the railway from Seoul to Chemulpo, which they
repurchased from an American company.They are also concessionaires of the important
Fusan-Soul line, which they are constructing
themselves, and which will be completely open
for traffic in three or four years from now.The time of peace the economic occupation of Corea
by the Japanese is, therefore, in process of realisation.Consequently, it is easy to see, concludes M.
Cheradame, that, having been obliged to
evacuate the peninsula of Liutung to sea it occupied
by the Russians, after having been led
progressively to renounce all pretension to
Manchuria, the Japanese are firmly resolved not to
contemplate the possibility of the seizure by
Russia of a country which is within their sphere
of influence. They will not consent on any pretext
to sacrifice the results of enormous efforts
which are already in a fair way of attaining
success.

By Order,

ordinary annual meeting of shareholders will be
held, on 5th proximo, transfer books closing
from 20th instant to 5th proximo. Shareholders
will be held on 10th proximo, transfer books closing
from 25th instant to 10th proximo.SHIPPING SHARES.—Hongkong, Canton and
Macau, sold at declining rates, and there are
now sellers at \$281 ex dividend of \$14 per
share paid on 8th instant. Indo-Chinas con-tinued the upward movement reported in our
last circular, and up to \$35 cash, also up to \$38
for 31st July to be paid, the market closing
somewhat easier with cash sellers at \$34; the
cash rate is unchanged. In the 5th, China and
Manilas sold up to \$25, but a few more shares

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ARRIVALS.

Feb. 13, BALLABAT, British str., 2,860, C. R. Longdon, bound 27th Jan., and Singapore 7th February, Mails and General, P. & O. S. N. Co.
Feb. 13, CHENAS, British str., 2,500, Northcombe, Chinkiang 8th February, Rice—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Feb. 13, CHILLI, British str., 1,143, G. Hooker, Manila 10th Feb., General—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Feb. 13, CHINOWO, British str., 2,517, G. W. Parkinson, San Francisco 24th Dec., Flour—CHINA MUTUAL S. CO.
Feb. 13, HANVANG, British str., 1,206, Caswell Wulu 7th February, and Ghinkiang 8th, Oils, Nuts and Rice—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Feb. 13, MATHILDE, German steamer, 678, C. Udet, Hoiohow 12th February, Coals and Sugar—JERGEN & CO.
Feb. 13, SAMAKA, British str., Louis, Moji 7th Feb., Coal—CRADLEY & CO.
Feb. 13, SHANTUNG, German str., 1,050, Engelhart, Singapore 4th Feb., Kerosene Oil—MCBAE.
Feb. 13, THALER, British str., 820, A. J. Rossou, Foochow 11th Feb., and Amoy 12th, General—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.
Feb. 13, TRIUMPH, German str., 769, A. Hosson, Swatow 12th Feb., General—OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.
Feb. 13, WIRGANG, British str., 1,517, Lambie, Wuhan and Chinkiang 8th Feb., General—JARDINE, MATTHEWS & CO.
Feb. 13, WOBANG, British str., 1,127, R. Malkin, Wuhan and Chinkiang 8th Feb., General—JARDINE, MATTHEWS & CO.
Feb. 13, YOCHOW, British str., 1,305, H. J. Brown, Wuhan and Chinkiang 7th Feb., General—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Feb. 14, HALIAN, French str., 377, L. Danielson, Pakhoi and Hoiohow 13th Feb., General—A. R. MARTY.
Feb. 14, KING ALFRED, British battleship, 14,100, Hull, Portsmouth 18th Jan. and Singapore 8th Feb.
Feb. 14, LINAN, British str., 1,513, C. C. Williams, Barry 21st Dec., Coal—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Feb. 14, PAKING, British str., 2,875, B. Lewis, Singapore 7th Feb., General—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Feb. 14, SALFORDIA, Dutch str., 2,365, E. W. Crisp, Newport 26th Dec., Coal—ORDER.
Feb. 14, THERA, German str., 934, Oberlehr, Kebo 10th Feb., Pak 11th and Hoiohow 13th, Coal and General—JENSEN & CO.

DEPARTURES.

ASPERN, Austrian Cruiser for Chefoo.
CARL DU DERICHSEN, Ger. str., for Hoiohow.
CAPRI, Italian str., for Bombay.
HANOI, French str., for Haiphong.
GOONGSANG, British str., for Manila.
LYDIA, Japanese str., for Takao.
MADELEINE RICKMERS, Ger. str., for Bangkok.
M. STRUVE, German str., for Bangkok.
OLYMPIA, Amer. str., for Icomia.
SIBERIA, American str., for San Francisco.
ESIAN, British str., for Thursday Is.
WILMINGTON, U. S. Cruiser for Chefoo.
WISCONSIN, British str., for Cam on.
ZAFIRO, British str., for Manila.
14th February.
BALLABAT, British str., for Shanghai.
CHENAS, British str., for Canton.
HANVANG, British str., for Canton.
KALGAN, British str., for Canton.
KARIN, Swedish str., for Saigon.
LAERTEN, British str., for Saigon.
MACHEW, German str., for Bangkok.
RAJABUDU, German str., for Bangkok.
SHANTUNG, German str., for Fuchow.
SIMONGAN, Dutch str., for Amoy.
VOLGA, British str., for Singapore.
WOBANG, British str., for Canton.
ZOCHOW, British str., for Canton.
WONGKOK, German str., for Bangkok.
TRITOS, German str., for Amoy.
15th February.
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KAYON ON DOCKS—H. J. G. M. S. Mocur, Torker, H. M. S. Glory, Eliza Richmore, Songkhang, Lydia, Lin Tai, Kai, Raffay, Yenchiang, Tak Hing, Karin, H. M. S. Thetis, H. M. S. Vestal, Legasi.
COSMOPOLITAN DOCK—Tritos, Borneo.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship "THALES," Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, the 15th inst., at 11 A.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1904. [209]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamer "CATHERINE APCAR" Captain A. Stewart, will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, the 15th inst., at 3 P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASOON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1904. [284]

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NOTICE.

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Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.

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G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1904. [2]

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MOUNTE.....	BRIT. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	1st March.
GLAUCUS.....	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	15th March.
PAK LING.....	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	29th March.
YAHRA.....	Sellier.....	Grec str.	R. Dahl.	MELCHERS & CO.	17th inst., at Noon.
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CHANGSHA.....	S. Barcham.....	Brit. str.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	27th inst.
JAVA.....	H.C. TRADING CO.	Dut. str.	27th inst.
TIJANAS.....	F. Schulz.....	Dut. str.	SIEMSEN & CO.	28th inst.
LOONGMOON.....	Dut. str.	28th inst.
WOOSUNG.....	Dut. str.	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	21st inst. A.M.
SILESIA.....	Dut. str.	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.	To-day, at 11 A.M.
THALIB.....	Dut. str.	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, 10 A.M.
TRIUMPH.....	A. Hansen.....	Dut. str.	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	18th inst., 10 A.M.
M. STRUVE.....	T. Brandt.....	Dut. str.	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	18th inst., 10 A.M.
LEHRSEBBIGEN.....	Dut. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	19th inst.
CHUBLI.....	R. W. Almond.....	Dut. str.	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	20th inst., 10 A.M.
RUBI.....	R. Rodger.....	Dut. str.	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	27th inst., 10 A.M.
ZAFEO.....	T. W. Garlick.....	Dut. str.	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	About 1st March.
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Hongkong, 2nd February, 1904. [205]



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For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

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Hongkong, 26th January, 1904. [209]



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AND SUMATRA PORTS.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PAK LING"		On 13th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"IDOMENEUS"		On 17th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"		On 22nd February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MENELAUS"		On 27th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"RHIPHEUS"		On 4th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MACHAON"		On 5th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"		On 12th March.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	DUE
London and ANTWERP	"KINTUCK"	On 29th February.	
* GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"KEEMUN"	On 22nd February.	
London and ANTWERP	"MOYUNE"	On 1st March.	
* GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 15th March.	
London and ANTWERP	"AJAX"	On 26th March.	
London and ANTWERP	"PAK LING"	On 29th March.	

* Taking cargo for Liverpool at London rates.

For Freight, apply to—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1904.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO.
LIMITED.

STEAMERS	TO SAIL	DUE
SHANGHAI	"WOOSUNG"	On 18th February.
MANILA, THURSDAY	"CHIHLI"	On 19th February.
ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHANGSHA"	On 3rd March.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

† Taking cargo on through bills of lading to all Yungtze and Northern China Ports.

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AGENTS.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1904.

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PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG'S HAD INLAND PORTS OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR PORTLAND, OREGON OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP TONS. CAPTAIN TO SAIL ON

"INDRAPURA"..... 4,699 A. E. Hollingsworth February 24, 1904

"INDRASAMHA"..... 5,197 W. E. Craven March 15, 1904

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Points. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1904.

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REGULAR STREAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUZ CANAL WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT PHILIPPINE PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FOR HONGKONG, 1904.

"MACDUFF"..... Absent 1st Mar.

For Freight and further information, apply to DODWEIL & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1904.

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HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

SS. "WING CHAI"

Captain Samuel Bell Smith. DEPARTURES from Hongkong, on week days, at 7.30 A.M.; on Excursion Sundays, at 8.30 A.M.: from Macao, week days at about 2 P.M. and Sundays about 7.30 P.M.

FARE—(week days) 1st Class (including cabin and servants), \$3. Return Ticket \$3.

Excursion Sundays 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Class Single Ticket \$2. Return Ticket \$3. Return Ticket including Taxi and Dinner either on board or at Macao Hotel \$5. On Sundays \$5 extra will be charged for each Cabin which has accommodation for two or more Passengers.

Wharf at the Western end of Wing Lok Street.

The Steamer runs an Excursion Trip Every Sunday, and takes only 3½ hours to reach Macao.

MING ON & CO., 2nd Floor, 16 Victoria Street, Hongkong, 8th September, 1903.

CARTRIDGES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES FROM BOMBAY AND SINGAPORE

THE Steamship

"CAPRI"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 16th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 16th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1904.

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NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.

(Florio and Babattino United Companies.)

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES FROM BOMBAY AND SINGAPORE

THE Steamship

"CAPRI"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained. Perishable Goods to be taken delivery of immediately.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godown, and a certificate obtained from the Godown Company, within seven days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 16th instant, will be subject to rent.

CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1904.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES
NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "OLYMPIA," FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1904.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, COLOMBO AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"INABA."

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Nov. 10, 1904, 11th inst.

Goods not cleared before the 18th inst. will be subject to rent.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and notice of same sent to this Office before the 21st inst., or claim in connection therewith will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1904.

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FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE HAL Steamship

"ANDALUSIA."

Captain G. Schmidt, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary is given before NOON, To-DAY, 11th inst.

Any cargo impeding the discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1904.

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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND AMOY.

THE J. C. J. Li Jia Steamship

"TJIPANAS."

Captain P. Zwart, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th February, 1904, will be subject to rent.

All claims for damage must be sent in before the 15th February, at Noon, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

The steamer will be despatched for Singapore, Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, Sourabaya and Macassar, on the 13th inst., at daylight

HOLLAND-CHINA TRADING COMPANY,

Agents.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1904.

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STEAMSHIP "AUSTRALIEN."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNNEES of Cargo from London ex.s.s. "Dove" and "Tina" from Havre ex.s.s. "Simon" Bordeaux ex.s.s. "Ville de Marseille," in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignee before 5 P.M., To-DAY, the 9th inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Wednesday, the 17th Feb'r'y, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 17th February, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on Wednesday, the 17th February, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1904.

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FOR SALE.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Inward parcels by s.s. *Baltic* are now ready for delivery.
Until further notice, the transmission of correspondence via Dalny and the Trans-Siberian Railway is discontinued.

CHINESE NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS.
The Post Office will be entirely closed to-morrow, the 16th inst. (Chinese New Year's Day). On Wednesday, the 17th inst., the Office will be open from 7 to 11:30 a.m. to despatch the outgoing German Mail only. Correspondence posted up to 9 a.m. only will be sent out for delivery on that day.

The Money Order Office will be closed on both days.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FROM	TO	DATE
Canton	Honam	15th, 7:30 A.M.
Foochow	Thales	15th, 10:00 A.M.
Singapore, Batavia and Samarang	Tijpanas	15th, 11:00 A.M.
Ningpo and Shanghai	Waishing	15th, 11:00 A.M.
Macao	Heungshan	15th, 1:15 P.M.
Straits and Calcutta	Catherine Apear	15th, 2:00 P.M.
Koben and Yokohama	Canton	15th, 3:00 P.M.
Kongmou, Kuchuk and Samshui	Cheungkong	15th, 3:00 P.M.
Kongmou, Kuchuk and Samshui	Sze Yap	15th, 3:00 P.M.
Shanghai	Loongyuen	15th, 4:00 P.M.
Canton	Kinsan	15th, 5:00 P.M.
Nantao	Tai Chan	15th, 5:00 P.M.
Sanbo	Hoi Fu	15th, 5:00 P.M.
Macao	Winghai	Wednesday, 17th, 7:30 A.M.
Canton	Kinsan	Wednesday, 17th, 9:00 A.M.
Canton	Hankow	Wednesday, 17th,
Europe, &c., India via Tuticorin	Printed Matter and Samples	10:00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11:00 to 11:30 A.M.)	Registration	10:00 A.M.
Postage 10 cents)	(Letters posted in the Peak Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail)	10:45 A.M.)
Canton	Gera	11:00 A.M.
Shanghai	Fatshan	18th, 7:30 A.M.
Canton	Wooing	18th, 3:00 P.M.
Manila, Timor, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne	Honam	Thursday, 18th, 5:00 P.M.
Manila	Hankow	Friday, 19th, 7:30 A.M.
Canton	Empire	Friday, 19th, 11:00 A.M.
Manila	Chikli	Friday, 19th, 3:00 P.M.
Canton	Ponam	Friday, 19th, 5:00 P.M.
Manila	Rubi	Saturday, 20th, 9:00 A.M.
Canton	Kinsan	Sunday, 21st, 9:00 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Tuticorin	Printed Matter and Samples	9:45 A.M.
(Late Letters 10:45 to 11:15 A.M.)	Registration	9:45 A.M.
Postage 10 cents)	(Letters posted in the Peak Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail)	10:30 A.M.)
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU AND SAN FRANCISCO	Yarra	10:45 A.M.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents)	Coptic	10:45 A.M.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

13th February.

ON LONDON.—
Telegraphic Transfer 1/114
Bank Bills, on demand 1/115
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 1/115
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 1/117
Credits, at 4 months' sight 1/118
Documentary Bills, 3 months' sight 1/118

ON PARIS.—

Bank Bills, on demand 243

Credits at 4 months' sight 248

ON GERMANY.—

On demand 198

ON NEW YORK.—

Bank Bills, on demand 47

60 days' sight 474

ON ROMANIA.—

Telegraphic Transfer 1423

Bank, on demand 143

ON CALCUTTA.—

Telegraphic Transfer 1424

Bank, on demand 143

ON SHANGHAI.—

Bank, at sight 707

Private, 30 days' sight 714

ON YOKOHAMA.—

On demand 951

ON MELBOURNE.—

On demand Nominal

ON SINGAPORE.—

On demand Nominal

ON BAAVIA.—

On demand 1163

ON HAIKONG.—

On demand 1414

ON SAIGON.—

On demand 1 per cent.

ON BANGKOK.—

On demand 43

SOVEREIGN BANK'S BUYING RATE.

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13th February.

Quotations are— Allow're net to 1 cent. 1/114
Malwa New 89/2 to 94/5 per pound
Malwa Old 87/0 to 99/0

Malwa Older 10/30 to 10/50

Malwa V. Old 10/80 to 11/00

Persian fine quality 90/6 to —

Persian fine line 84/0 to —

Peta New 12/70 to — per ounce

Peta Old 12/65 to —

Baro New 12/65 to —

Burma Old 12/65 to —

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-Chinese steamer *Nansong*, from Calcutta and the Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 9th inst., at 5 p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Gera* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 9th inst., a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Rosa* left Singapore on the 13th inst., at noon, and may be expected here on the 18th inst., at 5 p.m.

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THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. steamer *Korea* left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, &c., on the 2nd inst.

The O. & O. steamer *Cacific* * San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, &c., on the 10th inst.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of Japan* arrived at Kobe at 4:30 p.m. on the 10th inst., and left again at 11 p.m. same day, via Nagasaki for Shanghai, where she is due to arrive at midnight on the 14th inst.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The C. & M. steamer *Rubi* left Manila on the 13th inst., and is due here this afternoon.

The E. & A. steamer *Eastern*, from Sydney, &c., left Manila on the 14th inst., and is due to-morrow.

The O.S. & C.M. steamer *Idomenes* left Singapore on the 11th inst., and is due here on the 15th inst.

The H.A.L. steamer *Sambia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 12th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 19th inst.

The A.L. steamer *Silene* left Singapore for this port on the 12th inst.

The A.A. steamer *Brasmar*, from New York, left Singapore on the 9th inst., for Manila, and is due here on the 20th inst.

The Mogul Line steamer *Mogul* left Singapore for this port via Manila on the 30th ult.

The Boston Tow Boat Co.'s steamer *Pleides* sailed from Tacoma on the 2nd ult. for Japan ports and Port Arthur.

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S.S. "HANKOW," 3,073 tons, Captain C. V. Lloyd.

S.S. "KINSHAN," 2,860 tons, Captain J. J. Lossius.

Departures from Hongkong to Canton daily at 8 a.m. (Sunday excepted), 5:30 p.m., and 9 p.m.

Departures from Canton to Hongkong daily at 2:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. (Sunday excepted).

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Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at 2 p.m. and on Sundays at 12:30 p.m.

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CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN," 218 tons, Captain T. Hamlin.

This Steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 7:30 a.m. and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7:30 a.m.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

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S.S. "NANNING," 569 tons, Captain C. Butchart.

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